## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 310**

## By Carter

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Roddey Coe for his contributions to the Take Me Home program.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Roddey Coe, an advocate for people with autism and a supporter of the Take Me Home program; and

WHEREAS, the Take Me Home program is a collaboration between the Chattanooga police and fire departments and the Chattanooga Autism Center to more effectively help those who are unable to communicate due to intellectual or developmental disabilities, such as autism, or other medical reasons, such as dementia or Alzheimer's disease; police officers and firefighters are able to save valuable time by using a voluntary, confidential database to locate information about the individual, including emergency contact information, a detailed physical description, and a photo; and

WHEREAS, vice president of the Chattanooga Autism Center, Mr. Coe is the father of a son with autism and a governor-appointed member of the Council on Developmental Disabilities; he is also a 2017-2018 graduate of the Council's Partners in Policymaking Leadership Institute; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coe epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Roddey Coe for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Roddey Coe for his contributions to the Take Me Home program and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.